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COMPONENTS

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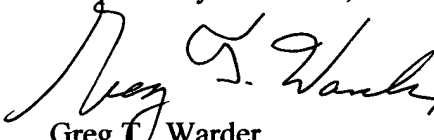
Applicants submit herewith Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal for the above-captioned application and a check in the amount of \$1,645.00 in payment for the issue fee, the publication fee, and five (5) copies of the patent when issued.

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Also, enclosed is an Amendment Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.312(a) (47 pages), plus Replacement Sheet of Drawings and Annotated Sheet Showing Change(s) Made; Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance (3 pages); and Fee Addressee for Receipt of PTO Notices Relating to Maintenance Fees (2 pages).

Applicants understand that no additional fees are required. However, if the Office determines that any comparison fees or other additional fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any such fees to TraskBritt Deposit Account No. 20-1469. A copy of this Transmittal Letter is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,



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Sir:

This communication is filed in response to the Notice of Allowability mailed July 30, 2003. The purpose of this communication is to set forth Applicant's comments, pursuant to 37

C.F.R. §1.104(e), on the Examiner's statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter set forth in the Office Actions of July 3, 2002 and December 31, 2002.

In the Office Actions of July 3, 2002 and December 31, 2002, the Examiner indicates:

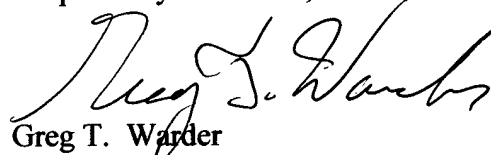
The prior art does not teach the invention of the claims as a whole, including at least one laterally unconstrained adhesive patch comprised of viscous adhesive material so as to exhibit a desired stable shape, wherein at least a substantial portion of the second smaller surface exhibits a generally planar configuration and is smaller than a size of the first surface.

Applicants concur with the reasons as stated by the Examiner insofar as they comprise a summary, and are exemplary and not limiting. However, the scope of the claims is based on the actual language of the claims and equivalents thereof, and not on a paraphrase or summary of the claim language. Independent claims 7, 15, 46, and 57 recite features not identically reflected in the Examiner's statements. Furthermore, dependent claims 8, 16, 25 through 28, 30, 31, 38 through 44, 47 through 50, and 58 through 61 recite elements in addition to those of the independent claims and which are also not reflected in the Examiner's statements. Such additional features and elements, in combination with those of the independent claims from which each claim depends, provide additional reasons for patentability in accordance with the literal language thereof and all equivalents.

Therefore, to the extent that the Examiner's reasons for allowance as stated are not relevant to, or wholly encompassing of, a particular claim, independent or dependent, Applicant assumes that (pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.104(e)) the Examiner has determined that the record of the prosecution as a whole of the application makes clear the reasons for allowing those claims. Further, it appears, pursuant to M.P.E.P. 1302.14, that the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance is not intended to encompass all of the reasons for allowance.

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